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onth, San Marcos.
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Sept. 15-ly

Hymn of the Alamo.

A distant paper says R. M. Potter's battle lyric, the "Hymn of the Alamo," is one of the mos beautiful gems of Southern literature. The au ther was a citizen of Texas previous to annexation, and resided some time-two or three years -in Galveston. After annexation he was appointed a paymenter in the United States army. He opposed annexation vigorously, with an able pen, and afterwards opposed secession. He is, so far as is known to an old friend, the writer of this paragraph in the Nesce, still alive.

The "Hymn" was inspired by the heroic defeese of the San Autonio fort of the Alamo made in 1836 by one hundred and forty Texans, under Colonels Travis, Crockett and Bowie, against two thousand Mexicans and five full batteries under Generals Santa Anna and Almonte.

The Texans withstood for several days "the flery rush of shell," and then resisted assaults u itil their Spartan band was reduced to six men. who were butchered within the fort.

It will be remembered that the body of Col. Crockets was found in one of the rooms of the Alamo, surrounded by the many Mexicans he had killed in his last fight.

The Alamo building was many years ago re nodeled for the use of the United States Army as a depot. The newspapers are urging the State to purchase it. The following is the

"HYMN OF THE ALAMO."

"Rise, man the wall—our clarion's blast
Now sounds its final reveille—
This dawning more must be the last
Our fated band shall ever see.
To life, but not to hope—farewell!
You trumpet's clang and cannon's peal,
And storming shout and clashing steel,
Are ours—but not our country's knell—
We joy in Spartan death,
'Tis no despairing strite—
We fail—we die—but our expiring breath
is Freedom's treath of lite!

"Here, on this new Thermopyle,
Our monument shall tower high;
And 'Alamo!' hereafter be
In bloodier field the battle cry!"
Thus Travis from the ramparts cried;
And when his warriers saw the foe
Like whelming billows move below,
At once each duuntless heart replied:
'Welcome the Spartan's doath—
'Tis no despairing strife—
We fall—we die—but our expiring breath
Is Freedom's breath of life!"

They come—like autumn leaves they fall,
Yet bordes on hordes they onward rush,
With gory tramp they mount the wall,
Till numbers the defenders crush—
Till fails their flag, when none remain!
Well may the victors quake to tell
How Travis and his hundred fell
Amid a thousand foemen slain!
They died the Spartau's death—
But not in hopeless strite,
Like brothers died, and their expiring breath
Was Freedom's breath of life.

Failure of Anthan Hilles-The · stush Into Bankruptcy.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2, 1878. EDITOR FREE PRESS :- Great consternation has prevailed amongst the Orthodox Friends and general busiof Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works, late President of the Second hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000,) the other men want to be elected Senawith no assets. The society of Friends immediately suspended Mr. Hilles until further investigation can be made regarding the fraudulent use of money he is said to have made, belonging to societies he is treasurer of.

From nine in the morning until Bannocks. eleven at night on Saturday, the up per floor of the Post Office was filled with insolvent debtors and their lawyers, taking advantage of the last opportunity of easting off their debts. Fifty-nine petitions were filed during the day and evening; among the largest were William Penn Young, one hundred and thirty-six thousand (\$136,000,) Henry Wainwright, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000.) Notwithstanding these heavy failures, merchants generally speaking, feel confident that their receipts this fall will exceed both last year and the year before.

tal of about fifty-one cents on the dollar, thus far paid, as per circular just diers to shoot bigh. issued by the trustee, Edwin N. Lew-

A new paper makes its debut to-day in Camden, the Daily News. Camden has a population of about forty thousand, and there is no doubt this paper will circulate to the extent of ten daily in Camden or surrounding suburbs.

The thermometer yesterday reached city on account of the cool weather.

Texas Correspondence.

CAMERON, TEXAS, Aug. 28, 1878. EDITOR FREE PRESS :- I left home on the 28th ult. in company with Prof. Hottzelaw and arrived at Manor in time for supper. We had to hold our noses while passing through Austin; they had been perfuming the city to prevent yellow fever. The prairie from Austin to Manor is for the most part undulating black lands, and the last named place is a regular bog-wallow, though its inhabitants are civil, good people, but one feels like he is robbing the widow and orphan when he takes a drink of water there. It is emphatically a dry city. And Elgin is like unto it in this respect. Lexington is a wide place in the road almost grown up in weeds. Such is the fortunate as to have parents living the description given of it by one of the gentleman approaches his father upon citizens, an officer with a big six- the matter, and if he is not wholly opshooter on who looked like he was posed to the match he allows himself standing in the weeds for a deer. We to be persuaded to arrange a conferstayed loug enough to hear a dry an- ence with the immediate ancestor of ecdote or two, and then drove out into the desired bride. This conference is the post caks, and on toward Caldwell. usually mysterious to the two anxious Lexington is surrounded by a fine ones, and is generally very pleasantly body of land and used to handle two interrupted by the pulling of corka thousand bales of cotton annually, but and the clinking of glasses. The fuis equidistant from Rockdale, on the International, and Giddings, on the here ofttimes discussed and determined Central, and ruined by them as they are only about fifteen miles distant; gold meted out and the formal refusal but there are some pretty houses and or consent arrived at. Then notices, cultivated people there yet. I wish are sent out by both the intended some proud men I have the misfortune to know, had to travel the road from Elgin to Caldwell, I think they would come down out of their inestimable selves a little, for one must stoop and bow till the habit of politeness is acquired. The tree limbs have been feeling out for sunshine and air till they lap over the road, and the sand are quite as intimate, if not more so, lappers who live thereabout, have not to the world, as they are with us-in enough sunlight in their hearts to lop off the limbs or to work the roads. But they have nearly all got the chills an easy one. If there is a rupture in in the Post Oaks. I approached the engagement this is as formally an-Caldwell from the West over a beautiful prairie which overlooks the town, of which I will tell you more when I see more. Cotton will make a half by the lady's father or guardian and bale per acre, cora is not to be sold at the gentleman-the intended groom, ness circles, through the failure of any price, and wheat is worth (in the The result of this is that persons are Nathan Hilles, President of the Board Post Oaks) 75cts, but the man I was not engaged to more than one at a talking with only wanted four bushels. time, and cases of half a dozen en-I am spending a few days with a legal National Bank, also an officer and di- friend of mine who expects to go to rector of numerous other corporations the Senate. He is the only man I and religious institutions. Mr. Hilles have met, as I have not been out estimates his liabilities at about three much. I do not know whether all tors or not.

Shoot High.

"Ish ter Scheneral around?" asked an excited Israelite as the United States troops passed through Siatku. last week, in pursuit of the fleeing

"Well, my man," said Howard, reining in his horse, "what is it? Speak quick."

"I am a rooin man, Scheneral. Dem cursed redskins, dey murder my boy Shacob about fife mile from here und stheal a dozen pair of pants he was peddlin'. New pants, so hellup me kracious-right out of my store.'

"Sorry for your loss, my man, but haven't time to talk about it now. If we catch up with these demons we'll stop their deviltries for good and all."

"Yes, I know, Scheneral, I know," eagerly whispered the bereaved readymade merchant, hanging desperately In the Jay Cooke estate a second to the officer's stirrup. "Dot's all interests of capitalists. Every law dividend has been declared by the right; but ven you come up mid dose "Creditor's Committee" making a to- Indians vot got dose new pants on, for Grant went into the White House, has

> At a recent d oner the Min iste from Hayli tonsted "Mr. Hayes, the acting President of the United States."

girls prematurely attaching themselves great question of finance. Upon to particular chaps and fancying that thousand, it being the only first-place they can never, never love any other very little. The Greenback party is person in the universe.

Washington society is agitated over 90°, much to the disgust of the ex- the prospect of cabinet ladies and Sen cursionists who had returned to the ators wives having to receive as a guest repeat that we pay no attention to at their social entertainments the col- anonymous contributions, but cousing ored wife of Senator Bruce.

Marriage Engage-

In Germany and other continental countries the engagement is surrounded by circumstances as ceremonious as marriage. The beginning of the attachment, except among members of the royal families, lies with the parties 'themselves. The choice is made by those, more clearly interested. But before engagement the couple must not be seen together except in the presence. of a chaperon. They do not stroll together to theaters, concerts and other places of public amusement without the company of the ever-present third party. To see two young people walking arm-in-arm is a sure sign of their engagement. Presuming they are so. ture external welfare of the couple ta upon-their acres, their linens, their bride and groom, and in the case of relatives and very intimate friends an invitation is given to a festival at the house of the lady's parents, to celebrate the joyous engagement. Most commonly, too, the notice of said engagement is published in the town paper. After the engagement the couple theory they are as man and wife, and the step to married life is a gentle and nounced as the engagement itself. A statement that its dissolution reflects no discredit on either party is signed gagements before a lady reaches twenty are utterly unheard of—they would be considered monstrous.

Fruit In Toxas.

A Texas correspondent of the Prairie Furmer says that among the peaches suited to this country he finds nothing better than such old sorts as Crawford's Early and Late, Stump the World, and Troth; the newer sorts as Amsden and Alexander, River's new varieties and Piquet's Late. &c., promise well. The Chinese Cling grows to great size; he has had them five inches in diameter. He has tested over 200 sorts of the pear, and finds the following excellent: Howell, Clapp's Favorite, Bartlett, Duchesse d'Angouleme, Bartlett, and Louise Bonne de Jersey. Red Astrachan is best of all apples. Other early sorts do well, and the southern winter varieties.

BEN. Butler is down on both the great parties. He says:

"The misery of the poor in the land to-day is due to the infamous legislation and the accursed system of laws enacted by the Republican party in the made by the Republican party, since kracious sake Scheneral, tole de sol- been for the rich and against the poor, The Democratic and Republican party to-day are one and the same. The platforms of the two parties do not differ. The Republican platform of Maine and the Democratic platform of There is a great deal of nonsense in Delaware are the same upon the one tariff questionethe old parties differ the party of the poor, the Democratic and Republican parties of the rich."

> Ir would seem we cannot too often them to the waste banket.